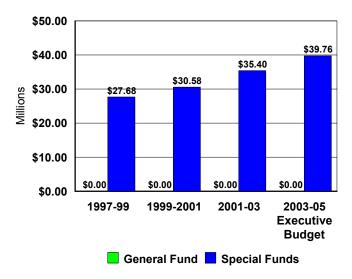
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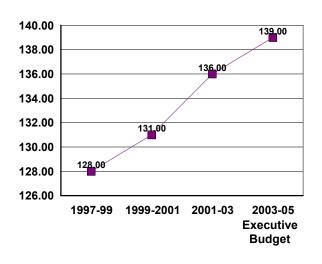
2003-05 Executive Budget	FTE Positions 139.00	General Fund \$0	Other Funds \$39,759,673	Total \$39,759,673
2001-03 Legislative Appropriations	136.00	0	35,396,976	35,396,976 ¹
Increase (Decrease)	3.00	\$0	\$4,362,697	\$4,362,697

¹ The 2001-03 appropriation amounts include \$77,335 from other funds for the agency's share of the \$5 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget for special market equity adjustments for classified employees. The 2001-03 appropriation amounts do not include \$1,824,000 of additional special funds authority resulting from Emergency Commission action during the 2001-03 biennium and other funds spending authority of \$60,000 carried over from the 1999-2001 biennium for capital projects.

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



Executive Budget Highlights

1.	Adds 3 FTE biologist I positions for habitat and access programs	General Fund	Other Funds \$241,922	Total \$241,922
2.	Provides increased funding for capital improvements, including \$600,000 for construction of a Bismarck shop and \$500,000 for hunting land acquisitions		\$663,758	\$663,758
3.	Approves agency request to discontinue funding the waterbank program		(\$200,000)	(\$200,000)
4.	Increases noxious weed control as a result of more weed control necessary along Lake Sakakawea and Lake Oahe, and anticipation of salt cedar, a new noxious weed		\$50,000	\$50,000
5.	Provides funding for inflationary increases in operating expenses		\$554,700	\$554,700
6.	Decreases grants - game and fish line due to an agency adjustment (\$200,000) and increases for funding concerns regarding chronic-wasting disease (\$82,000) and for one-time extraordinary repairs to boat ramps (\$42,000)		(\$76,000)	(\$76,000)

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1048 - This bill requires the Game and Fish Department to create and administer a written examination to test the proficiency of hunting guides and outfitters in state and federal laws on the hunting of wild game.

House Bill No. 1050 - This bill establishes guide and outfitter licensing requirements and increases the license fees for hunting guides and outfitters.

House Bill No. 1122 - This bill establishes a mule deer license raffle and auction of two licenses by the mule deer foundation.

Senate Bill No. 2048 - This bill requires the number of nonresident waterfowl hunting licenses issued to be limited based on total hunting pressure.

Senate Bill No. 2049 - This bill changes the nonresident waterfowl hunting periods and limits the number of nonresident waterfowl hunting licenses issued.